



## FoS Indigenous Australian Research Training Scheme

### Terms and Conditions

#### Background

QUT offers a number of IARTS placements. IARTS provides Indigenous Australian students with an opportunity to experience research by participating in a structured program of research in science, mathematics or information technology with a nominated supervisor. This experience may be particularly useful to students considering starting a postgraduate research degree. A participating student may benefit by establishing and building contacts with active researchers. It is believed the challenging environment will allow students to assess their interest in valuable research work. This scheme may offer a small stipend to cover students' costs which is not a payment for services.

#### Duration

The scheme is comprised of 5 components of varying duration. Students may only undertake 1 component at a time. The Indigenous Australian Working in Research Program involves 36.25 hours which can be undertaken in a flexible manner in agreement with the supervisor. The Indigenous Australian Research Experience and Indigenous Australian Vacation Research Experience components involve 120-150 hours and these can be undertaken in a flexible manner in agreement with the supervisor. The Honours and Master of Philosophy components follow QUT requirements (see [QUT - Bachelor of Science \(Honours\)](#), [QUT - Bachelor of Information Technology \(Honours\)](#), [QUT - Bachelor of Mathematics \(Honours\)](#) and [QUT - Master of Philosophy](#))

#### Termination

Students undertaking the Indigenous Australian Working in Research Program, the Indigenous Australian Research Experience or Indigenous Australian Vacation Research Experience components of IARTS may be terminated at any time if after due inquiry the supervisor and Director (Research Training) or Faculty Nominee conclude that recipients have not fulfilled their obligations, have not met the eligibility criteria, or are not participating in good faith to the best of their abilities. Recipients must, if requested, repay any monies to QUT if they are excluded or withdrawn from the project.

#### Stipend

Students undertaking the Indigenous Australian Working in Research Program will be paid for 38.25 hours (inclusive of 2 hours mandatory trainings) at HEW 4.1. Students undertaking the Indigenous Australian Research Experience or Indigenous Australian Vacation Research Experience components of IARTS will receive a \$3,500 stipend paid in two instalments of \$1,750 each. The first instalment will be paid at the start of the component and the second instalment will be paid upon completion of the component. If you are receiving a Centrelink payment, please contact Centrelink to confirm whether this payment may affect your benefit.

#### Employment

IARTS students may undertake paid employment, with the approval of their supervisor, provided that such employment does not interfere with the IARTS project.

#### Grievance Procedures

Grievance procedures are outlined at [E/9.2 Grievance resolution procedures for student related grievances](#).

#### Student Acknowledgment

I wish to participate in the IARTS, and I acknowledge that:

- (a) I will participate in the designated project at times to be agreed with my nominated supervisor;
- (b) if required under Australian Law I have a current student visa for the period of the project;
- (c) I am encouraged, but not obliged, to produce a research output, whether during or at the end of the placement;
- (d) the placement is not intended to create a relationship of employment between me and any other, including QUT, another host organisation or my nominated supervisor;
- (e) there has been no representation to me of future employment by any person connected with the IARTS or the project;
- (f) it is a condition of the project that I will sign the attached Deed Poll (if any) before commencing the placement;



- (g) the nature of this placement is unpaid and voluntary, and the stipend that may be received by me is not a reward for services, but to cover my costs in attending and participating in the VRES project, and no other payment, including superannuation, will be paid to me;
- (h) I will diligently and to the best of my ability apply myself to the successful completion of my VRES project;
- (i) I am expected to maintain regular and frequent consultations with my supervisor(s)
- (j) I will abide by the NHMRC codes on human and animal experimentation and the policies and rulings of the QUT University Human Research Ethics Committee and the University Animal Research Committee (<http://www.orei.qut.edu.au/>);
- (k) I will abide by all lawful, relevant policies, procedures and directions that are made known to me by the project host organisation;
- (l) I will be required to adhere to University regulations (including disciplinary provisions);
- (m) I have received legal advice or have had the opportunity of obtaining legal advice in respect to this document;
- (n) I have been provided with the link to these Terms and Conditions prior to starting the placement.